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APPLICANT: Strominger et al.
SERIAL NO.: 08/991,628 GROUP NO.: 1642
FILING DATE: November 5, 1997 EXAMINER: Not yet assigned
TITLE: Identification of Self and Non-Self Antigens Implicated In Autoimmune Disease

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97, Applicants hereby make of record the references listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the references are enclosed.

REMARKS

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97, this statement is being filed (CHECK ONE):

- (1) within three (3) months of the **Filing Date** or before the mailing date of the **First Office Action** on the merits; or
- (2) after the period defined in (1) but before the mailing date of a **Final Rejection** or **Notice of Allowance**, and
 - the requisite Statement is below, **OR**
 - the requisite fee under Rule 1.17(p), namely **\$240.00**, is included herein, or
- (3) after the mailing date of a **Final Rejection** or **Notice of Allowance** but before the payment of the **Issue Fee**, **AND**
 - Applicant hereby Petitions the Commissioner to accept and consider the attached Information Disclosure Statement, **AND**

- the requisite Statement is below, AND
- the requisite petition fee due under Rule 1.17(i)(I), namely **\$130.00** is included herein.

It is respectfully requested that each of the references shown on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record in this application.

STATEMENT

As required under §1.97(e), Applicants, through the undersigned, hereby state either that [check the appropriate space]:

- 1. [E]ach item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application **not more than** three months prior to the filing date of the Information Disclosure Statement; or
- 2. [N]o item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and to the knowledge of the person signing this Statement after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was known to **any** individual designated in §1.56(c) **more than** three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

FEE AUTHORIZATION

Should any fee associated with the submission of this paper not be attached hereto as a check, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the missing fee to our Deposit Account, No. 20-0531. Any overpayments should be credited to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence, and any documents referred to as enclosed herein, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231 on this 8th day of June, 1998.

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Sir:

Submitted herewith are: an Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449 (6 sheets) and copies of the cited references AA-AB, BA, and CA-DJ.